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In re Application of: **Miekka et al.**)  
Application No. **09/960,703**) Art Unit: **1744**  
Filing Date: **September 24, 2001**) Examiner: **Krisanne Jastrzab**  
For: **Methods for sterilizing biological materials**)  
**containing non-aqueous solvents**)

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**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is submitted with a request for the Request for Continued Examination.

Prior to examination of the application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 7.